

REMARKS

The last Office Action has been carefully considered.

It is noted that claims 1-3, 5, 11 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over the patent to Dydyk, Ort and Driscoll.

At the same time, the Examiner indicated that claims 6-10 and 13 are allowed.

The Examiner's indication of the allowance of the above listed claims has been gratefully acknowledged.

In connection with this indication claims 6-10 and 13 have been retained as they were.

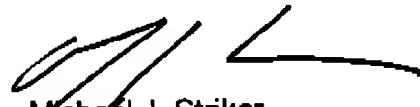
After carefully considering the Examiner's grounds for the rejection of the claims over the art, applicants have canceled claims 1, 2, 3, 5, 11 and 12 without prejudice.

The present application therefore now contains only the claims which were allowed by the Examiner.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is
most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,



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